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In re Application of: Loyd R. Hornback III et al.

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2003.

Remarks

Responsive to the outstanding Official Action, applicants have carefully studied the references cited by the Examiner and the Examiner's comments relative thereto. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Claims 12-16, 18-20, 23-31, 34 and 36-47 are pending in the application. Claim 26 has been allowed.

Applicants note that claim 43 was not listed on the Office Action Summary and was not mentioned in the Detailed Action. Claim 43, however, remains pending in this application. In the amendment of November 5, 2002, applicants had inadvertently numbered two of the new claims as claim 43. Accordingly, in the last amendment, applicants cancelled the second of the claims numbered 43, rewriting that claim as new claim 47, while leaving the first of the claims numbered 43 as presented previously. Reconsideration of claim 43 is therefore requested.